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Area Lead Agency Rate Development Fact Sheet

Chapter 257 standardizes rates across programs. Proposed rates for the Area Lead Agencies are being rate set through Chapter 257. The proposed rates are monthly accommodation rates and were determined by using UFR's, contract budgets and input from the Department of Children and Families. The proposed rates are based on the current model and staff. A tiered system was developed to accommodate the current variations that exist today. The Department of Children and Families has determined which proposed tier applies to each program. DCF will be sending a letter, in the near future, to providers to indicate which proposed Tier their program has been assigned.

Proposed Tier	FTEs Contract	Model Budget FTEs
Tier 1	3.5 - 3.8	3.75
Tier 2	4.5 - 4.8	4.60
Tier 3	4.1 - 5.2	5.4
Tier 4	5.2 - 6.0	6
Tier 5	7.0 - 8.0	8
Tier 6	10.00 - 10.75	10.75

* Identifies tiers that currently include regional educational coordinator contracts.